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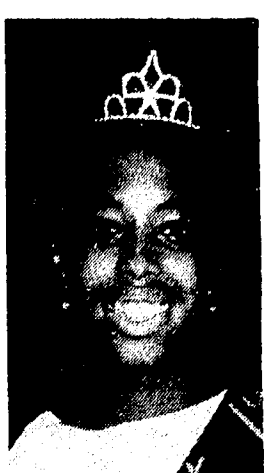
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SPRINGS  
Sandi Brohman



MISS EDWARDSBURG  
Susann Jenkins

## Ten Blossom Queens Crowned

Crowning of these ten pretty queens completes the field of 32 community entries for the Miss Blossomtime 1969 pageant. The ten, together with 22 community queens crowned earlier, will com-

pete for the Miss Blossomtime crown two weeks from tonight, Monday, April 28, at 8 p.m. in the Benton Harbor high school gymnasium. The winner will reign over the annual festival of the

blossoms which runs May 10 through May 18 with a full nine-day schedule of events. Details of the ten community queen contests Saturday night on pages 18 and 19.

# HARVARD BOARD WARNS IT MIGHT CLOSE UNIVERSITY!

## Won't Stand For Violence

### Small Student Minority Continues Strike

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Harvard's governing body says further campus violence could shut down the institution, and it is urging the university community to work together to avoid such a "drastic action."

"The spectre of closing the university is profoundly distasteful to us," the Harvard University Corporation said in a lengthy statement issued Sunday night. "We shall do everything in our power to avoid such a step and hope that all of us will work together to forestall the acts of violence which would make such a drastic action necessary."

It said dissidents would not be allowed to force their views on the university through violence. Harvard officials declined to elaborate on the statement which did not indicate how long any shutdown might last.

The statement followed several meetings among students, faculty and administration.

**PEACE REIGNS**  
There have been no serious incidents on campus since the takeover of the University Hall administration building by some 200 students last Wednesday and

their eviction by more than 400 club-wielding police early Thursday morning.

Thirty-nine persons received minor injuries and almost 200 students were arrested in the incident.

A strike by some 1,500 of Harvard's approximately 15,000 students began Thursday and is scheduled to last at least through today.

A mass meeting of students was scheduled for this afternoon in Harvard Stadium to decide whether to extend the strike and to discuss the Reserve Officer Training Corps program and other issues involved.

The corporation dealt with ROTC and most of the other issues in its statement. It said in part:

"We have accepted the position set forth in the resolution of the faculty of arts and sciences that academic credit shall not be granted to ROTC courses and that the commanding officers of ROTC shall not be members of the faculty."

"The president has today requested the dean of the faculty of arts and sciences and the dean of the law school each to nominate a student to serve as student advisors to the ROTC negotiating committee, and we heartily endorse this action."

The corporation consists of President Nathan M. Pusey, Treasurer George F. Bennett and five fellows: William Marbury, a Baltimore attorney; R. Keith Kane, a New York attorney; Francis H. Burr, a Boston attorney; Hugh Calkins, a Cleveland attorney, and A.L.



**AIRPORT GOES UNDER:** The control tower building at the downtown St. Paul airport, Holman Field, was high and dry in the top picture taken in mid-March. The bottom picture taken Sunday, shows the flood waters of the Mississippi River as they covered the field and surrounded the building on the way to a near-record flood crest. (AP Wirephoto)

Nickerson, chairman of the board, Mobil Oil Corp., New York.

The ultimate authority at the university rests with the 30-member Board of Overseers which in the past has routinely supported the corporation.

Pusey was scheduled to meet

with the board today.

The corporation's statement also said:

"Underlying all of these issues in the question whether some members of the university community, unable to persuade the university to accept their view, shall have the right to

force their views on the university by violent means. To this question there can only be one answer, for Harvard is deeply the free expression and exchange of ideas.

**"KEEP CHANNELS OPEN"**  
"We hope that in the days (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)

## Deer Runs Into Car At Plaza

The Berrien county sheriff's department said a deer ran into the side of a car behind the Fairplain Plaza shopping center Saturday afternoon, but was not injured.

Driver Mary Louise Kruger, 33, of 4072 Laukus lane, St. Joseph, told deputies she was driving on Plaza drive when the deer ran into the side of her car. Uninjured, the deer jumped up and darted away, she said.

TOKYO (AP) — The Chinese Communist party adopted Monday a new constitution based on Mao Tse-tung's philosophy and naming Li Piao as Mao's heir as ruler of China, a Peking broadcast said.

The broadcast by the News China Hsinhua News Agency said the Communist party congress, which opened April 1 in Peking, held a plenary session today after nearly two weeks of small group discussions. It did not say how much longer the congress would continue.

The plenary session unanimously adopted a political report by Lin and the new constitution, NCNA said.

## Red China Has New Constitution

# Deserters Not All Against War

## Most Went To Sweden Due To Discipline Problems

By FRED S. HOFFMAN  
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—Opposition to the Vietnam war motivated only a relatively small number of the American soldiers who have deserted to Sweden in recent years, according to an Army study.

Any Army study of the 116 soldiers listed as deserters to Sweden says more defected because of disciplinary problems than as a protest to U.S. involvement in the Vietnam fighting.

The report said of the 116 cases, 56 soldiers deserted because of disciplinary problems, 39 defected because of opposition to the war and there were no known reasons for the remaining 21.

The study used the files of the 116 men to construct this profile of a typical Army deserter in Sweden:

"He is a regular Army soldier, nearly 23 years old and has had three years of high school.

"He is single, had no civilian occupation or skill, came from the more highly populated states, could not adjust to Army life, and was a disciplinary problem before he defected."

The document omitted the names of the individual defectors while summarizing the information from the files of each one of them.

Among the disciplinary problems, involving civilian and military offenses other than desertion, were repeated AWOL, drug abuse, indebtedness and stealing.

Of the 116 total, 92 were regular Army men, 23 were draftees and one was a reservist the

Army said deserted to avoid being called to active duty.

Fifty-nine had no civilian occupations, while 19 had been laborers, 12 had held clerical jobs, one was an attorney, one was an entertainer and one a ski instructor before military service. There was no record of civilian jobs for the remaining 21.

Their age averaged 22.77 years, their education 11.2 years. Seventy-five went to high school, but 40 of them dropped out before graduation.

Fifteen others had a grammar school education while 22 went to college. However 19 of the college men didn't finish.

The group includes 71 men who were single, 16 married, one divorced and the remainder listed as unknown.

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## Can Kill Animals But Not Help

GRAND RAPIDS (AP) — Jim Westra, who served five days in jail for providing a home for five motherless baby raccoons, says he's appealing his case to the Legislature.

The Grand Rapids pet shop owner is dismayed that individuals may obtain permits from the Department of Natural Resources to kill wild animals and birds, but not to keep the animals for humanitarian purposes.

Westra admits to numerous confrontations with the conservation people over his attempts to care for injured wild animals. In the most recent case the mother raccoon had been run over by a car leaving her youngsters to die, Westra felt.

Westra said he will be armed with thousands of sympathetic letters when he meets Wednesday in Lansing with two legislators from Grand Rapids. Many of the letters, he said were from Grand Rapids while others came from all parts of the United States.

## Can't Sell Stray Dogs To University

JACKSON (AP) — A Jackson County circuit judge today ordered the county to stop selling unclaimed stray dogs to the University of Michigan for experimental purposes.

Judge John C. Dalton issued a restraining order against the county after hearing a suit filed by Audrey M. Youngblood, a dog breeder and member of the Jackson Animal Protective Association.

Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley had intervened in the suit as a third party. He said the Jackson County Board of Supervisors had no authority to permit the sale of the dogs and such sales violated the State Dog Law of 1919.

Lost, Bridgman area male white English setter. Reward. 465-2992. Adv.

Pat Eaves Thole is now back at Riverview Beauty Salon. Adv.

# A Tax Plan For Attacking Urban Decay

By JIM DONAHUE  
South Haven Bureau

SOUTH HAVEN—A proposed revision of South Haven's tax structure, designed to end "present tax incentives that promote poorer housing and urban decay" has been offered the new city council by retiring mayor J. Glenn Sperry.

In a letter to the council, Sperry has asked members to consider an "upside-down" property tax that would penalize owners of vacant land and run-down structures.

Sperry noted that his plan, patterned after one used successfully at Southfield, Mich., would be designed to encourage

owners of vacant or dilapidated property to make improvements and keep the property in good repair.

"Virtually all local governmental bodies, including ours, tax land very moderately and sharply increase taxes as improvements are made on the land," Sperry said.

"This has the effect of allowing vacant land to remain idle as property owners can afford to hold it, waiting for eventual increase in prices and also to discourage improvements to vacant land or existing buildings, as owners know that these improvements will be reflected in increased taxes. Our tax structure therefore discourages new construction and improve-

ment to existing property which, of course, is a very undesirable effect."

Sperry suggested that "one possible area in which the increase of assessment on land might have an immediate effect would be poor quality rental units. Property of this type," he said, "might have a substantial immediate increase in taxes and as the property owner could not continue to charge the same relatively low rents in view of the higher taxes and his taxes might not be substantially increased even though he made extensive improvements to the buildings, he might be encouraged to do so and thus justify a higher rent structure."

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Editorial Page

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## Inflation Is A State Of Mind

In addition to the literal fact of inflation, rising prices, the country has been swept by what the experts are pleased to call "inflation psychology." In plain English, the long years of irresponsible government spending, increasing public debt and dwindling value of money have undermined confidence in the dollar, once the pendulum begins to swing from confidence to lack of confidence, like most pendulums involving human behavior, it will probably swing farther than the facts justify and make the job of controlling inflation all the more difficult.

The best cure for inflation in the long run will be greater public understanding of what causes it and who gets hurt most as it progresses. In a remarkably clear article on the subject, Edwin A. Roberts, Jr., writing in The National Observer, calls inflation "the cruellest tax of all."

He shows how it hits hardest at the poor and points out, "There are several reasons why this is so. The poor have no hedges. Not for them is investment in real estate or the stock market, where values tend to be carried aloft on the inflation spiral. . . . Inflation is the cruellest tax because the percentage bite taken out of purchasing power is greater for the poor than for those in the middle and higher income strata. This is true even though rising wages and prices tend to push the salaries of better-paid people into income brackets that permit

Uncle Sam to take a bigger part of their earnings."

Roberts gives figures to back up his statement, figures from a report of The Tax Foundation, Incorporated, a private, nonprofit research organization. They show that a family with a gross income in 1958 of \$3,000 would have to earn \$3,708 in 1968, an increase of 23.6 per cent, just to maintain the purchasing power it had 10 years before. By contrast, the same size family with a \$10,000 income in 1958 would have had to have a jump of 20.83 per cent in income to stay even.

In the area of savings, inflation also hits the poor harder than the well-to-do. Those of modest means, who are able to save a part of their income, buy U.S. savings bonds, life insurance policies and deposit their money in savings accounts, find their insurance and the modest interest paid on their savings virtually wiped out by the dollar-eroding effect of inflation.

One of the favorite myths of the present era is that the Vietnamese war is largely to blame for inflation. As Mr. Roberts observes, "Prices of raw materials began climbing steeply in late 1963, long before the United States had made a major commitment in Viet Nam. . . . Though federal spending has increased by more than \$50 billion in the past three years, more than half this amount went for programs unrelated to the war."

Perhaps the greatest tragedy of inflation is the persistent habit of those who profess to speak for the poor people, of shying away from the truth about who gets hurt most. Instead of recognizing the hardship caused poor people by inflation, they call for more inflation-breeding government spending, thus feeding the fires of the "inflation psychology." In spite of popular pressure for a little more inflation, the present Administration has the thankless job of leading the nation into a period of belt tightening.

So far as the President of the United States is concerned, Roberts likens him to the pilot facing a huge thunderstorm while flying over the Rockies. When asked by a companion, "What are you going to do?" the pilot said, ". . . I'm going to make a 360-degree turn and get out of here."

Roberts concludes, Mr. Nixon will have to do a lot better than that pilot or ". . . the country will be engulfed by the twin tempests of wild inflation and deep recession. And it is the poor who are most exposed to all the elements."

## Truth About Old Age

Modern man, aided and abetted by the wonders of medical science, sees no need to drop out of the limelight simply because he is 70 years old. He wants to live longer, and often does.

When he reaches 90, or, in a few cases 100, he is seldom hesitant about divulging the reason for his longevity, often attributing it to some habit or practice of his own discovery. Some credit abstinence from liquor and tobacco. Others boast they used both consistently. There are those who give credit to plenty of sleep, hard work or lack of worry.

Actually, long life is frequently a family trait—a characteristic shown in previous generations inherited by the individual who lives beyond his allotted time. But how a person lives can shorten or lengthen his life by many years.

## Making Dreams Come True

A group of Harvard professors, acting on the theory that successful entrepreneurs are made, not born, has been busily engaged on a program to turn unimaginative, mediocre businessmen into dynamic successes. With a year of experience behind them, the professors are ready to claim success in their own right.

Basically, what it involves is creating the proper attitude on the part of small businessmen. A positive form of aggressiveness is instilled in the "students," along with realistic goals which can be achieved but still prove stimulating.

Initially, the technique has been employed among poorly achieving businessmen in slum

communities in the United States, as well as in countries such as India which have a low economic base. It has proved successful in both instances.

Involved is a two-week course designed to make businessmen think and act like successful entrepreneurs. Psychologists who have studied successful business operators are convinced they know a good bit about him, including how he daydreams, how he sets his goals and even what he wears.

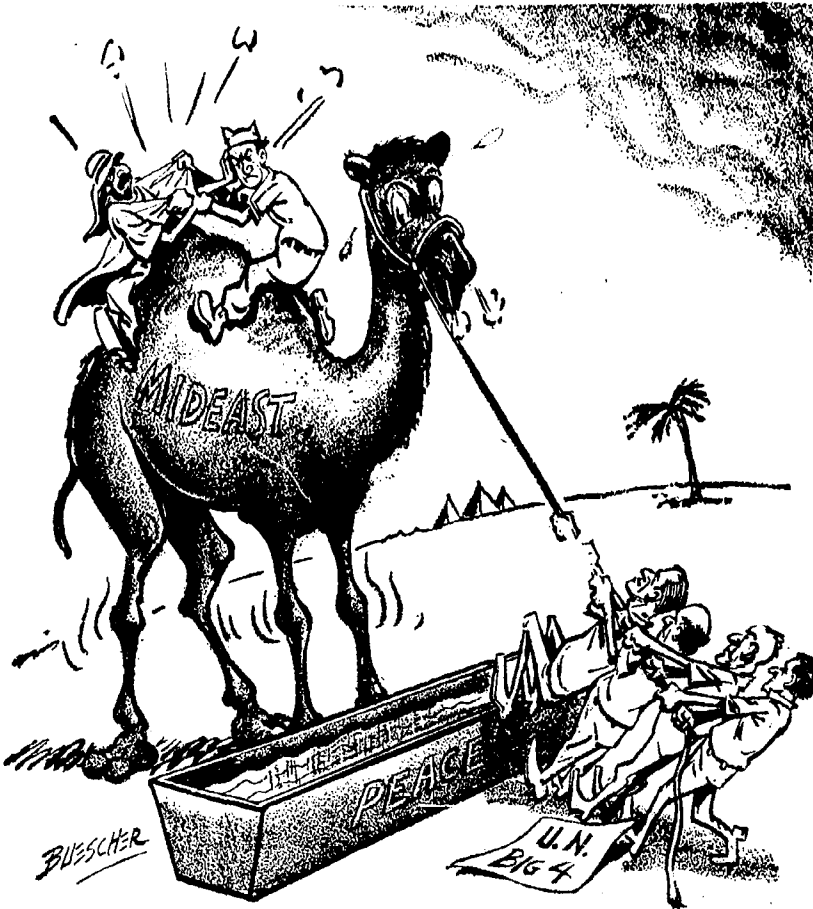
A successful daydream, it seems, is one which projects in positive, aggressive terms. The Harvard researchers have found that a person not possessing this trait can be taught in four or five days.

Fantasies such as dreaming of making a million dollars are replaced by attainable goals.

In one experiment tried on 49 small businessmen in a Washington slum, the course was successful in creating a changed personality in half the cases, and this half went on to greater expansion and rewards in business than the other half.

There is nothing new, in the contagion of optimism. Considering all the traits of a successful man or woman, probably the one which stands out above all others is unfaltering optimism. Rediscovering that trait could help many people, in and out of business.

## You Can Lead A Camel, Too!



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### WILL PAVE SIX STREETS

—1 Year Ago—  
A half dozen streets in the southeast section of St. Joseph will get sidewalks this summer, the city engineer's office announced today. Property owners will receive notices on April 15 that sidewalks are to be built this summer on the following streets: Pioneer road, North street, Wilson court, Murphy court, Wallace avenue (north side from Wilson court to Pioneer road) and Midway avenue (north side from Niles avenue to Division street).

Upon completion of work property owners will be notified of their cost. They have five years to pay. Six per cent interest is charged on the unpaid balance.

### SPARKS, RILL HEAD COMMISSION

—10 Years Ago—  
To hardly anyone's surprise, Tom Sparks and William Rill have been named to their fourth terms as mayor and mayor-pro tem respectively. Sparks and Rill were the sole nominees for their offices.

The action took place at a reorganizational meeting of the commission Monday night following the regular commission session. The reorganization followed city elections last week in which Commissioner Clifford Emmlong was elected commissioner for the first time. He had previously served some nine months under an appointment to succeed former commissioner W.H. (Duke) Ehrenberg, who resigned last summer.

### REDS STAMPEDE TOWARD SEVASTOPOL

—25 Years Ago—  
The prospect of the fall of Sevastopol today—the Russian Orthodox Good Friday—grip-

ped the imagination of the Russian people as the Red army slashed through disorganized groups of Germans and Romanians; many of whom were surrendered by battalions. Red Star's correspondent, Maj. Vasily Ignatiev, said "The enemy has cracked at the seams," with fleeing Axis troops out of control and in great confusion, as Gen. Fedor I. Tolbukhin's fourth army and Gen. Andrei I. Yeremenko's maritime naval base which resisted enemy attack for nine months in 1941 and 1942.

Scores of German and Romanian battalions deserted by their commanders raced for the port in the bright Crimean sun but it appeared that even if they reached the base before the Red army tanks their escape would be impossible.

### SIGN OF SPRING

—35 Years Ago—  
Tom Karter, St. Joseph candy

THE FAMILY LAWYER



### Murder By Auto

Although cars kill more than 50,000 Americans every year, we seldom think of a car as a murder weapon. Nevertheless, with growing frequency, motorists are being convicted of the crime of murder by automobile.

The key ingredient, upping the offense from mere manslaughter to murder, is malice. A jury may find malice by logical deduction from the circumstances of the killing. For example:

### RECKLESS CONDUCT

A man who was rebuffed by his girl friend pushed her out of the car, ran her down, then backed over her prostrate body. In this behavior a jury found ample evidence of malicious intent, and brought in a verdict of murder by automobile.

Even if a driver has no specific intent to kill anybody, he may still commit murder—if his conduct is reckless enough to imply malice.

Thus, in another case, a man decided it would be great fun to drive up close to pedestrians and make them jump. After playing this little game several times, he misjudged his distance and struck down an innocent victim.

Tried afterward for murder by automobile, the man pleaded a lack of any intent to kill. But the court found him guilty as charged.

"Malice," said the judge, "does not necessarily mean an actual intent to take human life. It may be implied, as when an act is done so recklessly as to manifest depravity of mind and disregard of human life."

### BLOWOUT CAUSE

Still, however wrongful a driver's conduct, he is not guilty of murder if there is no causal connection between his bad driving and the accident itself.

Suppose, for instance, that a drunken driver is traveling down the street when he suddenly has a blowout. If the car jumps the curb and kills a pedestrian, solely because of the blowout, the driver could not be convicted of murder.

True, a jury might find malice in the way he was driving. But if the blowout would have resulted in the accident anyhow, then the bad driving could not be the cause of death.

## DR. COLEMAN

## .. And Speaking Of Your Health

My twenty-five-year-old son was admitted to a hospital for a very serious condition of the lung. My husband and I were grateful to the doctors for their kindness and understanding of this calamity. We were told of its seriousness and every effort was made to keep the suspected diagnosis of cancer from our son. The next day we were horrified to find him in a state of panic because on his admission chart was stated Dr. Coleman "carcinoma of the lung" which he understood. How can such cruelty and carelessness exist in one of the great medical complexes in America?

Mr. & Mrs. D.S.E., New York  
Dear Mr. & Mrs. E.: Despite the most active programs designed to teach all hospital personnel something about psychological medicine, such gross errors do occasionally occur. Unfortunately, the massive, terrifying impact on your son will be explained away (by somebody who should have known better) with the phrase, "I'm sorry." This is not enough and I truly wish that such pitfalls could be removed so that the normal anxiety of a new patient would not be increased to unbearable proportions.

How can we possibly account for the hundreds of people who are involved in all the facets of a hospital? I once was taking a small child to the operating room after having spent three sessions preparing her for tonsillectomy. She seemed relaxed and unafraid as we stepped into the elevator. Imagine my distress when the elevator operator said, "What a beautiful girl you are, and as soon as you fall asleep I'm going to take your big black eyes and give you mine." The child jumped in absolute terror pleading with me because I had said nothing about this ghastly thing that now was going to happen to her.

I started all over again to pacify her and explain that all this man was saying was that he wished he, too, had eyes that were as beautiful as hers. The elevator man was trying to be kind and loving, but it came out wrong, absolutely wrong.

In your sad case, your doctors I am sure will start all over again to assuage your son's anxiety and I hope it will be successful. You must report this experience to the administration so that other families will be spared the unnecessary heartache imposed on you.

My mother is 84 years old and for the past six years, simply cannot remember anything for more than a few minutes. We know that it is distressing for her but it is just as bad for us. Is there any way to control this?

Mrs. N.R., Kansas  
Dear Mrs. R.: The loss of memory for recent events happens frequently in the elderly, especially those who have a moderate narrowing of the arteries due to arteriosclerosis. The blood flow to the brain is thus diminished. The remarkable characteristic about these people is that they have an unbelievable recall for events that happened during their childhood but cannot remember hour to hour instructions.

It takes a great deal of understanding and patience to live in such a situation. At present there are very few reliable drugs that are of benefit. It is encouraging, however, to know that experimental drugs are well on their way to relieve this handicap in those privileged to live to a ripe old age.

### SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Water pills are not the answer for obesity.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

## JAY BECKER

## Contract Bridge

South dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
♠ Q7	♠ 984	♠ 106542	♠ 2
♥ 973	♥ KJ1093	♥ 2	♥ 9652
♦ KJ1093	♦ 1083	♦ AKJ10653	♦ AJ
♣ 1083	♣ 8654	♣ 8654	♣ —

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♦ Dble 4♦ Pass  
5♦ 5♣ Pass 5♥  
5♠ 6♠ Pass Pass  
6♦ Dble Pass Pass  
Redble

Opening lead—king of clubs. I was playing with Sam Fry, Jr., in the Reisinger team of four championship some thirty days ago when this extraordinary hand occurred.

The bidding was unusual, to put it mildly. Fry held the South cards and elected to open a diamond. Presumably his purpose was to learn whether I had good diamond support, in which case he would be in a better position later to judge how high to go in spades, where

he planned to play the hand. West doubled and I jumped to four diamonds. This terrible overbid was in part traceable to the favorable vulnerability, and in part to the exuberance and impetuosity of youth.

Fry now bid his real suit, spades, and West competed with five clubs. East then bid five hearts, for reasons impossible to explain at this late date, and Fry rebid his spades.

Undaunted, West bid six clubs. When this came around to Fry he reverted to diamonds. He thought he might avoid a spade loser (Fry didn't know I had the queen) if diamonds were trumps. West doubled and Fry redoubled!

West led the king of clubs. Fry ruffed and returned the eight of diamonds. When West followed low, dummy did likewise. Another diamond lead put West out of commission. He could take his ace of diamonds, but no more. So Fry made six diamonds redoubled for a score of 1,330 points, despite West's 21-point hand.

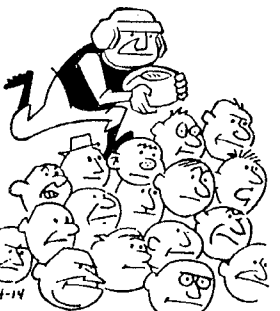
Of course, West could have beaten the slam had he led the king of hearts originally, but this lead probably never occurred to him. It did not seem to West that the "safe" lead of the king of clubs could possibly give declarer the contract, but, as it turned out, he could not have been more mistaken.

## BENNET CERF

## Try And Stop Me

A college football coach whose team compiled a miserable record last fall shrugged off most of the insulting letters he received from irate alumni, but this one got under his skin: "I understand there now are over eighteen thousand students enrolled in our university. Is it too much to ask that just a few of them be put in front of your ball carrier?"

Financial wizard Stanton Griffis is fond of recalling a day he and a newly wealthy acquaintance wandered into a Paris gallery to see an exhibition of modern pictures. "A couple of these would do something for my private office," opined the acquaintance. "How can I pick up one or two without getting the daylight's socked out of me?" "Put in very low bids on all of them," suggested the canny Mr. Griffis. "When the show is over, you'll probably find that a couple have fallen into your lap for virtually a song." The manager of the gallery graciously consented to enter the bids. A week later Stanton Griffis received a frantic phone call from the acquaintance. "My God," he wailed, "I've bought forty-eight pictures."



A boastful father, defending a shiftless son, insisted that it had taken the boy only three terms to finish his first year in high school. Turned out he was referring to the terms of Dwight Eisenhower, John Kennedy, and Lyndon Johnson.

### Factographs

Wall carvings of people swimming date from about 9,000 B.C.

The Baltic Wall is a series of Russian defenses along the Baltic seacoast.

Kerosene or coal oil is called paraffin in Great Britain.

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## VIETNAM OTHER VALLEY FORGE, SAYS BYRNS



ANDREW NOVIKOFF  
Prosecutor's investigator



TED FLEISHER  
SJPD Lieutenant

### Business Seminar Thursday

#### Team Of Federal Officials To Speak

A special session of the small business seminars will be held Thursday at the Whirlpool Educational center, Riverview drive, Benton Harbor.

Thomas F. Bartley, general manager of market training at Whirlpool, said banking, law and accounting will be stressed by a team from the Detroit headquarters of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

The afternoon portion will start at 2 o'clock. It will be followed by a dinner for all those who have attended the program to date. The evening session starts at 7.

Each attendee will be presented with copies of the newest materials released by the U.S. Small Business Administration on financing, legal considerations and details on management.

The special afternoon session will be conducted by Jesse Butler and Hiawatha Jones along with instructors from the Whirlpool center.

### Benton Store Burglarized

Approximately \$350 worth of equipment was stolen in a burglary at the RX Camping Trailer Sales building, 2240 South M-139, Benton township police reported. The burglary was discovered Saturday night.

Stolen were an adding machine, three sleeping bags, two gas lamps, four heaters, a wrench, a portable light and numerous tools. Entry was made through a window broken out of an overhead door, police said.

## Four Teenagers Shot; BH Man Is Arrested

Four teenagers received superficial wounds from a shotgun fired early Sunday in an alley behind East Vineyard street, Benton Harbor police reported.

Police arrested James E. Hegar, 33, of 802 East Vineyard, in connection with the shooting and charged him with assault with a deadly weapon.

Treated for pellet wounds at Benton Harbor Mercy hospital and released were Gregory Hunt, 15, of 862 East Vineyard; Beverly Lewis, 14, of 357 Summit street; Robert Payne, 17, of 661 East Vineyard; and

## Dissent Should Not Curb Others' Rights

### Police Air Rebuttal To Broadcast

#### Say Change Can Be Accomplished Without Violence

Spokesmen for police agencies in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph as well as Berrien county Sunday left little doubt they oppose violence by dissenters.

In a special program over WHFB radio, the spokesmen outlined their position to answer a March 2 radio broadcast over WHFB in which two members of a panel endorsed violence by dissenters in certain cases.

The March 2 panel was made up of Dr. James W. Silver, of the history department of Notre Dame university; the Rev. Charles E. Murphy, coordinator of ecumenical education for Catholic churches in the South Bend, Ind., area; and Ron Walden, a seminary student at Andrews university, Berrien Springs.

Rev. Murphy and Walden held violence by dissenters was acceptable when all other avenues of protest had been tried and been unsuccessful.

The broadcast was one of the Twin Cities Community Forum series and it touched off criticism from police because no law enforcement officer was a member of the panel. Its subject was: "Law and Order—What are the rights of dissenters?"

#### SPECIAL PROGRAM

WHFB radio agreed to the special program for police spokesmen because of their criticism of the March broadcast. Berrien circuit court judge Chester J. Byrns was moderator.

Appearing on the program were Charles A. Bazata, of the probation and parole office for Berrien county; Lt. F.C. (Ted) Fleisher, of the St. Joseph police department; Det. Elmer Rhodes of the Benton Harbor police department; and Andrew Novikoff, chief investigator for the county prosecutor's office.

Bazata is chairman of the Benton Harbor Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) lodge; Fleisher is president of the St. Joseph FOP lodge; and Rhodes is vice-chairman of the Benton Harbor lodge.

The panel has 63 years combined experience in the police field.

Novikoff, in police work for 25 years, said police have a right to dissent. But they do not have the right to prevent others from exercising their rights by force, he stated.

#### 'ILLEGAL DISSENT'

"When actions infringe on the rights of others, then the action becomes an illegal dissent," said Novikoff. "All of us have power to change the law whether through the ballot box, the legislature or through due process of law. If we use these we can all live at peace under the laws of this country and not under the laws of the jungle."

Novikoff said one example of a lawful change was on the fast issue. The citizens opposed this and went out and voted



ELMER RHODES  
BHPD detective



CHARLES A. BAZATA  
Probation, parole officer

against it, the spokesman said. "We didn't demonstrate (to do it)," he said, "we voted on it."

Fleisher said that when groups violate the rights of others they have gone beyond what they could call their rights.

"We must protect the rights of all concerned," said Fleisher, "and to protect the right we must have law and order."

Rhodes said all kinds of dissenting groups now confront police officers. They include grade school, high school and college bodies as well as others, he said.

According to Rhodes, most of the dissenters blame the police for all they are dissenting against. Some people, he said, start trouble just to cause a confrontation with the police and make them look bad.

An officer, said Rhodes, should use the amount of force necessary to make an arrest and no more.

"I have enjoyed my work," said Rhodes, "and other (officers) have also. In my years, I've been shot at, beaten and called all kinds of dirty names. But there is another side. I've met some wonderful citizens and made some real friends."

Bazata blamed a growing feeling in the society that the individual is not responsible for his actions for the mounting violence. While environment helps mold a person, Bazata said the individual must, in the end, always be held responsible for his own actions.

The police feel more and more very much alone, said Bazata, because of the lack of support from the bulk of the population and because the dissenters and now being "peculiarly" applauded and recognized as social heroes.

The law enforcement officers

who know what is going on and who is promoting what, Bazata said, are amazed.

"Effective law enforcement and the maintenance of law and order should be a prime feature in any program designed to hold social order together," said Bazata. "It seems the people have lost sight of this fundamental principle."

"This program is a byproduct of the discouraging circumstances whereby the local community forum had a program on law enforcement and didn't invite any law enforcement officer to be part of the panel," Bazata said.

Bazata warned that groups which protest legally might switch to violence because they are ignored while the violent malcontents are not.

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### 22 Berrien Men Did Not Die In Vain

#### Judge Speaks As DAR Pays Honor To Fallen Heroes

By TOM BRUNDRETT  
Staff Writer

"Americans of now and yet to come will forever be in the debt of the 22 Berrien county youths and the other Americans slain in Vietnam."

So spoke Chester J. Byrns, Berrien county circuit judge as he addressed the parents, wives and friends of the dead heroes in the chapel of the Methodist Peace Temple in Benton Harbor. Eighty-four attended.

Sponsored by the Algonquin chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), the ceremony included the presentation of certificates of honor and two renditions by the Madrigal singers from Benton Harbor high school.

The Rev. Wendell Stine, associate pastor, gave the invocation and benediction. Mrs. L.J. Stock II, chapter vice-regent, conducted the program.

#### PRESERVED FREEDOM

"Had it not been for the sacrifice of the 22," said Judge Byrns, "we might not have been able to meet here today as free men. They prevented the fire of liberty from being extinguished."

"The memory of their devotion will forever keep their memories alive. I do not believe they died in vain."

Judge Byrns compared the war in Vietnam to the American Revolution and he criticized those who oppose it.

"The American revolution has had effect for two centuries. The effect of Vietnam will last for generations," Judge Byrns stated. "The battles of Khe Sanh, and Saigon will be as the battles of Valley Forge and Lexington."

He said that neither war was popular with a small but vocal minority. In the revolution era, Byrns said some felt freedom was not worth the price. Some, he said, fled to Canada and England.

NOTES DESERTERS

"Today," said the judge, "we have Americans carrying flags of the Viet Cong and North



ENSIGN REX KIBLER

### BH Man Gets Navy Commission

NEWPORT, R.I. — Rex W. Kibler, son of Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Kibler of 1159 Monroe Street, Benton Harbor, received his commission as an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve during graduation ceremonies at the Naval Officer Candidate school here.

His commission represents the successful completion of eighteen weeks of intensive training in the military and academic subjects of naval organization, tactics, naval engineering, seamanship, weapons and navigation.

During his training, Ensign Kibler held a student office as company first platoon commander. Ensign Kibler was the recipient of the Distinguished Naval Graduate award.

He has received orders to report to naval flight officers school in Pensacola, Fla. for 22 weeks training duty.

Ensign Kibler is a 1964 graduate of Benton Harbor high school. In 1968, he received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Michigan State university.



CERTIFICATES OF HONOR: Families of 22 Berrien county youths killed or presumed killed in action in Vietnam were presented certificates of honor Sunday by the Algonquin chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The presentations were made during a special service in the chapel at the Methodist Peace Temple, Benton Harbor, Chester J. Byrns, Berrien county circuit court judge, was the guest speaker. Left to right are Mrs. John Preston, chapter chaplain; Judge Byrns, and Mrs. L. J. Stock II, chapter vice-regent. (Staff photo)

Vietnam. Others send supplies to those killing our American youth."

"We have Americans deserting the duty of service by fleeing. But, despite this, nearly 35,000 Americans, including the 22, have freely and courageously given their lives in the defense of freedom," Judge Byrns said.

"The 22 and the others slain knew there is no compromise with tyranny. Each generation must purchase with blood what its forefathers did," Judge Byrns continued.

Judge Byrns said everyone

### SJ Band 'Slave Day' Is Success

St. Joseph junior and senior high school bandmen, over 200 strong, raked, cleaned and polished Saturday in a work bee that raised \$1,064.61.

Mrs. Robert Grimm and Mrs. Eugene Foertsch, co-chairman of the Band and Orchestra Sponsored project, said the "Slave Day" was a "big success." Many people gave more than the \$1 an hour requested. Mrs. Grimm said, and some donations were received from residents who did not request any work done.

Bandmen were mostly asked to rake lawns and gardens with window washing next in line. Mrs. Grimm said the idea to hold such an event every spring may be presented to the bandmen for their reaction. She said inasmuch as the youngsters have to do the work they should be consulted.

The funds raised will go to purchasing additional new uniforms.

wanted a just peace. But he said it must not result because of the timid or because of weariness from the nation's longest war.

"Let it be written," said Judge Byrns, "for the gallantry of the Americans who fought and died. Anything less would not be worthwhile."

#### HONOR ROSTER

Certificates were in honor of: Sgt. James R. Pruett, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Pruett, 4420 US 12W, Buchanan.

PFC Thomas P. Pruiett, son of Mrs. Regina P. Titus, 182 West street, Coloma.

PFC Charles D. McClurg, Eastman drive apartments, Benton Harbor.

Spec. 4 David D. Berkholz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Berkholz, route 2, Box 456, Berrien Springs.

2nd Lt. J.B. Martine Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay B. Martine, 3110 Spirea road, Buchanan.

PFC William R. Roussos, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Roussos, 1350 Merrifield avenue, Niles.

Staff Sgt. Ricky L. Herndon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford W. Herndon, PO Box 36, Water-vliet.

PFC Wendell G. Vaughn, whose widow, Martha lives at Box 57, Riverside.

Lance Cpl. Johnnie W. Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kelley, 103 Grant street, Galien.

PFC James G. Edinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale E. Edinger, route 1, Box 9, Sodus.

Warrent Officer Roy N. Uebler Jr., whose widow, Pamela S., lives at route 1 box 12, Eau Claire.

Spec. 5 Roger D. Shafer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shafer, 207 Shafer road, Baroda.

AE 1 Donald F. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Wood, 272 Church street, Coloma.

PFC Eugene Crossley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vales Crossley,

416 Eighth street, Benton Harbor.

Larry Duane Butgereit, son of Mrs. Helen Butgereit, 1200 East Empire avenue, Benton Harbor.

Gerald Przybylinski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Przybylinski, Alexander street, Buchanan.

Spec 4 Charles E. Fletcher, whose widow, Ruth, lives at 905 Chippewa street, Buchanan.

PFC Robert L. Linn Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Linn Sr., Box 71, Niles.

PFC LaMarre E. Major, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Major, route 1, Box 180, Benton Harbor.

Cpl. Edward C. Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford G. Sexton, 227A, Berrien street, New Buffalo.

PFC Ernest Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Watson, 1166 Jennings avenue, Benton Harbor.

PFC John T. Wetzel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wetzel, route 1, Box 713, Buchanan.

### Lakeshore Will Discuss New Budget

A tentative operating budget for the 1969-70 school year will be discussed by the Lakeshore board of education at its regular meeting at 8 o'clock tonight at Lakeshore high school.

The agenda also calls for the appointment of representatives to a committee which will discuss and make recommendations on possible changes in the dress code for students. The code now prohibits blue jeans and similar casual wear from classrooms. Representatives of the student council have urged a more lenient code.

## Lakeshore Jaycees Elect New Officers

Arthur Schneider is the new president of the Lakeshore Jaycees chapter. Schneider, an electrical engineer at V-M Corp., Benton Harbor, succeeds Thomas Johns as president.

Elected to the chapter's board of directors for 1969-70 at the recent meeting were Steve Bennett, Richard Fanson, Ron Grefen and Don Mack. Other officers will be elected by the board.

Schneider, who resides with his wife and three children at 3019 Thresa drive, Stevensville, has been a member of the Lakeshore chapter since 1963 and has held several positions on the board and worked on numerous chapter projects.

#### JAYCEE OF MONTH

The Jaycee of the Month award was presented to Don Morrison of 4975 West Donna drive, Stevensville, Morrison, a one-year Jaycee

member, is editor of the monthly Jaycee newsletter and has received the Spark Plug award.

During the meeting, Ben-



ARTHUR SCHNEIDER

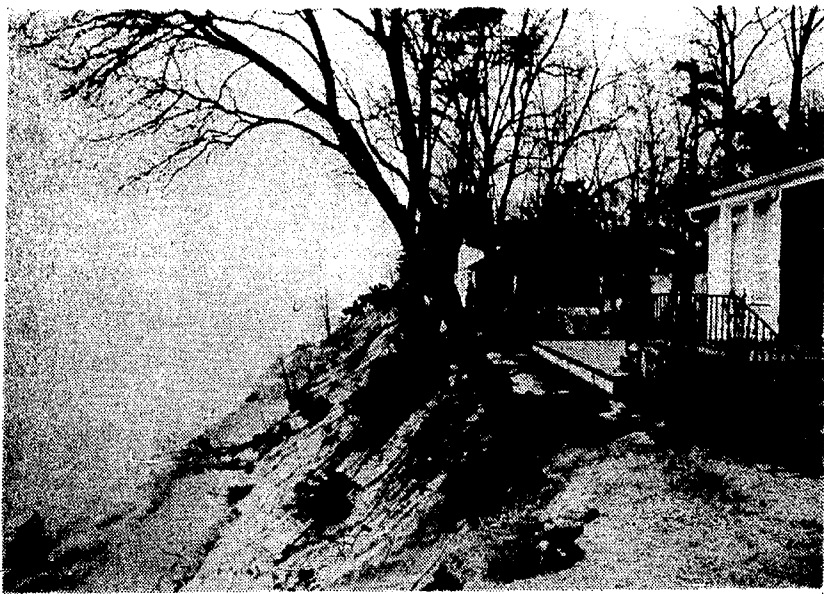
nett, chairman of the tree planting project, said Jaycees will plant eight-foot trees at North Lake park in Lincoln township on April 19. Mack reported all 68 Jaycees with the help of auxiliary members will clean up and paint equipment at five beaches and parks in the area during Lincoln Township Clean-up week April 21-26. Clean-up and paint-up projects are scheduled at Glenford and Lincoln township beaches and at North Lake, Baroda and Lions parks.

Junior Champ day, a project for young athletes, is scheduled May 3 at Lakeshore high school athletic field under the chairmanship of Morrison.

Robert Wisner and Robert Bender are co-chairmen for the annual Stevensville Kiddies Day parade scheduled for May 25 with a theme "Adventure in Space."

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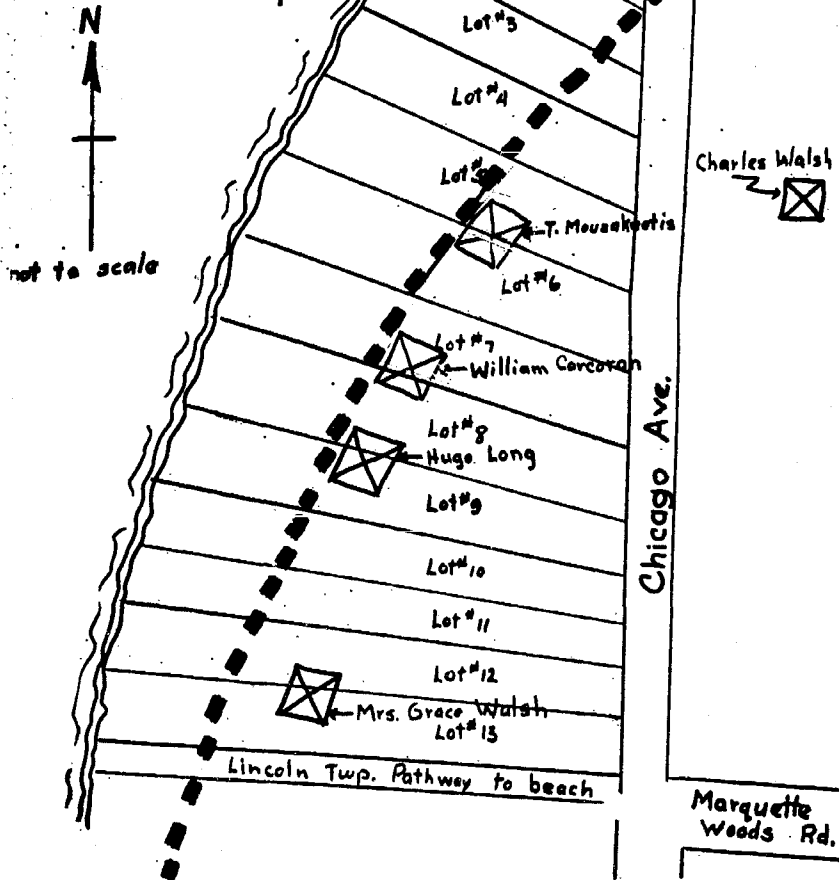
## EROSION CAUSES SEVERE PROPERTY LOSSES



**SAGGING TREES:** Bluff erosion along Lake Michigan summer home lot has taken its toll at home of William Corcoran. Trees, roots and all, are sagging into lake, while porch is undermined. (Staff photos)

MARQUETTE  
WOODS  
PLATT

Lincoln Township



**LAKE CLAIMS LAND:** Drawing shows how erosion along bluff overlooking Lake Michigan (to the right) has claimed lots off Chicago avenue, north of Marquette Woods road in Lincoln township. Portions of lots between heavy dotted line and lake have disappeared. Home to right of Chicago avenue, was moved from lakeside lot. Lincoln Township Supervisor Harry Gast, Jr., said re-appraisals of lots owned by five Chicagoans resulted in a loss of \$51,000. Homes involved are summer residences, not occupied at this time. (Drawing by Betty Goetz)

Damage Is  
Estimated  
At \$51,000Lincoln Township  
Lake Bluff Keeps  
Crowding Homes

Bluff erosion along Lake Michigan in Lincoln township has taken a severe loss of property, including damage to summer homes and land losses assessed at some \$51,000.

The damage has increased steadily since the first of the year, having been felt initially late last fall, reported Harry Gast, Jr., Lincoln township supervisor.

Gast said the basic damage has been done to five summer homes at the west end of Marquette Woods road and along Chicago avenue. However, Gast said the loss also is being felt in township beach areas where flat sand is being washed into the lake.

## LAND LOST

Gast said that on tax assessment day last Dec. 31, the five homesites damaged were reassessed with the appraised losses totaling \$51,000. This is based on land loss and 40 per cent building loss, said Gast.

The homes involved are owned by Chicagoans and are empty, except for summer use. One home off Chicago avenue, owned by Charles Walsh, was moved from its site from near the bluff across the road about two weeks ago.

Describing the losses, Gast reported that Walsh owned three lots to the north of the one he vacated. The one farthest north on the northern boundary line of Lincoln township was 119.5 by 107.5 feet. It has completely disappeared during the erosion process. The two other lots, about the same original size, have only a small portion of land left.

Gast reported that the other four homes are in the same critical danger of destruction, with one of them, owned by a T. Mouzakotis, already having the front cement porch undermined.

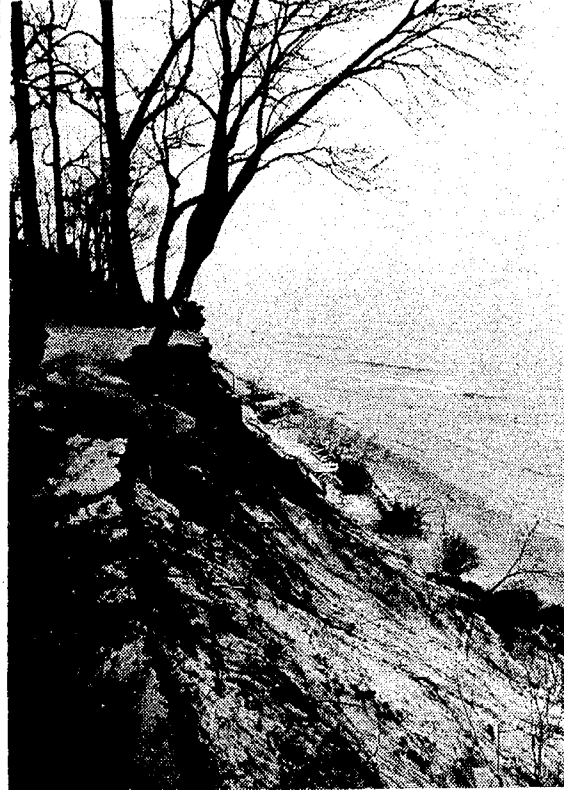
Next door, a home owned by William Corcoran, has lost its front yard, including trees, shrubs and other landscaping.

The nearby home of Hugo Long also is in danger of sliding down the bluff. Gast said the Long home has been undermined and has lost its roofed patio and steps.

The lot owned by Mrs. Grace Walsh also is reported in danger. Erosion already has eroded landscaping and a boat house. It was reported that while the home is not in immediate danger, continued erosion could create a danger.

**MORE CRITICAL NOW**  
Gast said the loss was first experienced late last fall, but emphasized that the situation has become more critical since the first of the year.

As to future action, Gast said Long and Mouzakotis are planning to move their homes. However, this must be approved by the township board of ap-



**YARD VANISHES:** Well manicured lawn and trees of William Corcoran home, Chicago avenue, are eaten away in huge chunks by bluff erosion that has intensified since first of the year after initial danger evident late last fall.



**VANISHING STEPS:** Patio steps at summer home of Hugo Long, off Chicago avenue, have been destroyed, as bluff has crumbled into Lake Michigan below. Home near patio (not shown) also is reported in danger of sliding into lake.

peals. The board is to determine that the homes will still be on lots possessed by the home owners.

Itemizing the appraised losses, Gast said the four lots owned by Charles Walsh total \$13,900; while the loss of two lots owned by Mouzakotis total \$16,200. Losses to property owned by Corcoran were appraised at \$8,300; while losses to lots owned by Long and Mrs. Walsh were appraised at \$7,200 and \$5,700, respectively.



**LAKE VIEW:** Ray Smietanka and Anita Smith of this newspaper staff get fine, but dangerous, view of Lake Michigan from porch of summer home owned by T. Mouzakotis of Chicago. Bluff erosion has undermined porch and overturned large trees nearby.

Family Argument  
Ends In DeathYoung Dowagiac Man  
Killed By Pistol

**DOWAGIAC** — A Dowagiac man was fatally shot here Saturday evening. City police said the shooting apparently stemmed from a family quarrel.

The victim was Clarence Ferguson, 28, of 309 Hastings street, Dowagiac, who died of a bullet wound in the abdomen.

Arrested and charged with second degree murder was Alfred Arnold, 58, of 106 Miller street, Dowagiac, who police said was the victim's stepfather-in-law. Police said the shooting occurred about 5:15 p.m. while Ferguson was standing near an auto parked across the street from Arnold's home. Ferguson died about 6:50 p.m. at Lee Memorial hospital, police said.

## LONG SHOT

Dowagiac Police Chief George Grady said one shot was fired across the street, a distance of about 25 feet. Grady said the weapon used was a .38 caliber revolver which is unregistered.

According to police, a quarrel was reported to have occurred between Ferguson and his wife's mother who is the wife of Arnold.

Arnold was lodged in the Dowagiac city jail in lieu of \$10,000 bond. He was to be arraigned this morning in district court.

An autopsy was ordered Saturday night by Rolla Schoff, Cass county coroner.

Mr. Ferguson was born May 15, 1940, in Homer, La., the son of Elmer and Gladys Ridley Ferguson. He had resided in the Dowagiac area two-and-a-half years, coming from Louisiana.

Surviving besides his parents are his widow, the former Beatrice Parker, whom he married in Dowagiac on Dec. 6, 1962; a daughter Christina Winita, at home; four sisters, Odessa Ridley, Mrs. Wilma Jean Henry, Mrs. Eunice Williams and Mrs. Barbara Brown, all of Louisiana; four stepbrothers, Jerry, George, Donald and Ronald Brown, all of Louisiana.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Church of God and Prophecy, The Rev. V. Flake, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Minden, La. Friends may call at the Lyon funeral home until Tuesday noon when the body will be taken to church.

Sodus Township  
Plans Annual  
Road Cleanup

A meeting is scheduled to be held at 8 p.m. tonight to plan the township's third annual roadside cleanup, township Treasurer Ron Schroeder announced. All interested persons were urged to attend.

Hospital's  
Care Unit  
Improved

**BERRIEN CENTER** — A redecorating and remodeling program is now underway in the seven-bed intensive care unit at Berrien General hospital. And plans were announced, too, for extensive landscaping to beautify the main entrance to the hospital grounds.

Remodeling in the intensive care unit area will cost an estimated \$3,000 and is scheduled for completion by May 1. It will include installation of draperies, painting, replacement of old cupboards and cabinets and a new nurses' station desk. The work is being carried out by various hospital plant services departments, according to Hospital Administrator Richard Bajus.

The intensive care unit, designed for patients who need close observation, is equipped with all necessary emergency equipment, push button intercom, and a "Crash Cart" for patients suffering cardiac arrest.

The entrance landscaping project will start May 1 and calls for the planting of 113 trees, shrubs and evergreens, according to Bajus. Additional landscaping will be done later in the year as part of an overall beautification program underway at the hospital.

The work will be done under direction of the landscaping division of Chemco, Inc., St. Joseph.

Two Hurt  
In Fight

**COVERT** — Two men were treated at South Haven Community hospital early Sunday morning for knife wounds following an apparent knife fight in a parking lot of a Covert township tavern, state police from South Haven said.

Treated and released were Walter T. Love, 34, route 1, South Haven, and Oscar L. Woody, 34, route 1, Covert.

Police said the two were believed to have been fighting over a woman. The incident was still under investigation today.

Seven Speech Instructors Let Go;  
County Teachers' Group Will Fight

By JERRY KRIEGER  
County-Farm Editor  
**BERRIEN SPRINGS** — The Berrien Intermediate Education association, recognized only last Thursday as a bargaining agent, will fight the dismissal of seven speech correction teachers by the intermediate board late Friday.

Dr. Harrell Bassham, an association member who called the dismissal a "slap", said a meeting has been set for 4 o'clock this afternoon to discuss the matter.

The seven county-employed speech correctionists were notified Friday the intermediate district will not offer them contracts for next year.

## SCHOOL CHIEFS' IDEA

The move to drop them from the intermediate payroll followed a recommendation to the intermediate board last Thursday from a special education committee composed of six local district superintendents. The recommendation called for the local districts to employ their own speech correctionists. The committee told the board that four of the county's larger districts employ their own such instructors, while smaller dis-

tricts and some parochial schools use the services of the seven employed by the intermediate district.

Heretofore, state and intermediate special education funds have paid the total costs of speech correction work in both the large districts and the program operated by the county for the smaller schools.

This year, however, a state limit on special education aid

may force the larger districts to pay upwards of 25 per cent of the cost of their special instructors.

The intermediate district will have to foot this same share for the correctionists that serve the smaller districts. The committee, composed of superintendents from the four large districts that employ their own correctionists and two superintendents from smaller units,

said it would be unfair to the larger districts to employ their own instructors and also, through the county special education tax, help pay for the instructors that serve the smaller units. The larger districts are Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, Niles and Buchanan.

The intermediate board last Thursday night recommended that several smaller districts could employ the correctionists cooperatively.

Walter Wend, who heads the intermediate special education program, said he will meet with the smaller schools concerned to try to work out some cooperative hiring arrangements between the local districts.

The correctionists who will be dropped and the schools they serve this year are: Mrs. Linda Thatcher, Coloma and Watervliet schools; Miss Marilyn Swank, Berrien Springs and Eau Claire public schools; Trinity Lutheran at Berrien Springs and Grace Lutheran at Eau Claire; Mrs. Sara Maxam, Gard school at St. Joseph and county school for deaf; Mrs. Carol Canter, New Troy, Chikaming and Sawyer Lutheran; Mrs.

Francine Damm, Galien and Brandywine schools; Dr. Roy Hartbauer, Lakeshore, Bridgman and Emmanuel Lutheran at Stevensville; Mrs. Shirley Williams, Three Oaks, New Buffalo and St. Mary's of the Lake Catholic at New Buffalo.

The seven special teachers are members of the 16-member Berrien Intermediate Education association, which was recognized as bargaining agent by the intermediate board last Thursday night.

Dr. Bassham, a diagnostician in the special education division, said it "certainly has an odd appearance" that the board would recognize the speech correctionists as part of the bargaining group and at the very same meeting take another action to discontinue their services. "We are unhappy about this."

He said the association intends to explore every possibility to have the intermediate district retain these seven instructors.

Wend stated the decision to drop the seven instructors had no connection whatsoever with recognition of the bargaining association.

Boy May  
Have Set  
Off Blaze

**NEW BUFFALO** — Fire started by an unidentified boy in an alley at the rear of Cook's Television and Appliance store, 23 Buffalo street, swept to a second floor apartment before it was put out by city firemen Sunday afternoon.

Fire Chief Joseph Rudecki said Ken Westphal, about 12, called the fire department at 2 p.m. The boy said he was passing through the alley when a younger boy, believed to be about in the fourth grade, asked Westphal to help him put out a fire.

The Westphal youth said the younger boy had started a fire near the rear of the building and flames shot up to the second floor apartment. The other boy was attempting to douse the fire with water from a milk carton. Westphal said the boy was gone when he returned from calling firemen.

Rudecki said firemen rescued a cat from the apartment owned by Merle Cook and put out the fire. He said the apartment sustained smoke and water damage.

Son Will Continue To  
Operate Funeral Home

**WATERVLIET** — Roland T. Hutchins, a licensed mortician and son of the late Andrew Joseph Hutchins, has announced he will continue operation of the Hutchins funeral home here.

A graduate of Wisconsin Institute of Mortuary Science at Milwaukee, Hutchins served an apprenticeship with his father and holds licenses from the National Conference of Mortuary Science and the State of Michigan. He worked three years with his father. Hutchins is married to the former Loretta Phillips who is a teacher in Coloma Community schools. His mother, Mrs. Andrew Hutchins, will continue to reside in the mortuary.